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Washington, D. C. 20535

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MR KENT GOODALL

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

Request No. 427947

Subject ROBERT NESTA MARLEY

Dear Requester:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request noted above.

Based on the information furnished, a search of the automated indices to our central records system files at FBI Headquarters located no records responsive to your FOIPA request to indicate you and/or the subject(s) of your request have ever been of investigatory interest to the FBI. The automated indices is an index to all records created since January 1, 1958, in security, applicant, and administrative matters, as well as to all records created since January 1, 1973, in criminal matters.

If you have reason to believe records responsive to your request exist prior to the above dates, you will have to request another search. In order to respond to our many requests in a timely manner, our focus is to identify responsive records in the automated indices that are indexed as main files. A main index record carries the names of subjects of FBI investigations.

Although no main file records responsive to your FOIPA request were located in our automated indices, we are required to inform you that you are entitled to file an administrative appeal if you so desire. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U. S. Department of Justice, Suite 570, Flag Building, Washington, D.C. 20530, within 30 days from receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA request number assigned to your request so that it may easily be identified.

Sincerely yours,

J. Kevin O'Brien
J. Kevin O'Brien, Chief
Freedom of Information-Privacy
Acts Section
Office of Public and
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MR KENT GODDALL

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

Request No.: 427947
RE: MARLEY, ROBERT NESTA

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Dear Requester:

- ☒ This acknowledges your Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request submitted to the FBI.
- ☐ Based on the limited information you provided, we cannot make an accurate search of our records. Please furnish your complete name, alias, date and place of birth, prior addresses, employment, and any specific data that would permit us to locate the documents you seek.
- ☐ We ask that you provide your notarized signature or, in lieu of a notarized signature, you may submit a declaration pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 1746. This procedure is designed to insure that documents, if located, are released only to an individual having right of access to the information.
- ☐ If you want a search of our Criminal Justice Information System records for any arrest record that might pertain to you, please comply with the enclosed instructions set forth in Attorney General Order 556-73. Fingerprint impressions are needed for comparison with records in the Criminal Justice Information System to insure that an individual's record is not disseminated to an unauthorized person.
- ☐ We are currently searching the indices to our central records system files at FBI Headquarters for any documents which may pertain to your request. Upon completion of this search you will be notified of the results.
- ☐ Provide the complete name, date and place of birth for the subject of your request. If subject is deceased, give date of death and any proof of death you have.
- ☐ The large number of FOIPA requests received by the FBI has caused delay in processing your request(s). We solicit your understanding and assure you that we will process your request(s) in due course.

Your request has been assigned the number indicated above. Please use this number in all correspondence with us.

Sincerely yours,

Chief
Freedom of Information-
Privacy Acts Section
Office of Public and Congressional Affairs

- ☒ Enclosure
- Computer printout (2)
- ☐ Mail Room

Your new Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request for one or more subject matters is being handled in the Request Management Unit of the FOIPA Section.

The Request Management Unit has a tremendous volume of work on hand as a result of several factors beyond our control, including recent widespread publicity about how to make FOIPA requests.

Your request is currently unassigned. We are critically understaffed and are unable to complete the initial search and review of files in a timely manner to determine whether or not we have records responsive to your request. We will contact you again when further action has been taken on your request. In view of our current workload, you may expect a delay of several months. In the interim, we solicit your patience and cooperation.

KENT GOODALL

August 97.

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MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA

FBI FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT UNIT
LEE STRICKLAND,
OFFICE OF INFO,
RECORDS RESOURCES DIVISION
WASHINGTON DC. 20535

Dear Lee

HP. I'm writing this letter to ask for "all the files and see also references to Mr ^S Bob Marley", including a search of both new and older indexes, and the ELSUR index - plus freedom of Information act refer to certide enclosed
From the BEAT Magazine vol 16 No 3 1997
if any costs are required please forward the correct information re- who to send cheque to.
Thanking you very much

One love ^R Kent Goodall.

ROBBITS & TRY

Collected by Roger Steffens

**RASTA DON'T WORK
FOR NO C.I.A.**

There's no question that Bob Marley was the object of surveillance by both the CIA and the FBI. "They tell me you're the most powerful black man alive," said the diabolic Dr. Issels who (mis)treated Bob in his final months. Now you can find out for yourself what the government knew by writing to: **FBI Freedom of Information Act Unit, Lee Strickland, Office of Info., Records Resources Division, Washington, D.C. 20535; or Central Intelligence Agency FBI, 935 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20505.** You must include the following information:

1. Robert Nesta Marley's full name
2. His dates of birth and death: b. Feb. 6, 1945, d. May 11, 1981
3. His place of birth: Nine Miles, Rhoden Hall, St. Ann's, Jamaica
4. Some proof of death (such as this article)
5. Mention the Freedom of Information Act and ask for "all files and see-also references to Mr. Bob Marley, including a search of both new and older indexes, and the ELSUR index."

< Agree to pay reasonable costs up to \$20 without additional permission.



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